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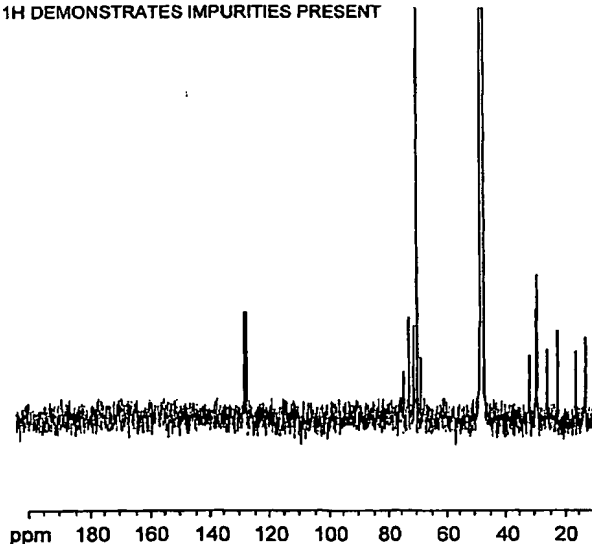
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PROCNO 1

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-----CHANNEL f2-----
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PL2 3.00 dB
PL12 2.00 dB
SFO2 500.1325000 MHz

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PC

1D NMR PLOT PARAMETERS
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F3P 979.67 Hz
F4P 1243.48233 Hz/cm
H2CM 1243.48233 Hz/cm

(57) Abstract: An isolated and purified Pfisteria toxin having the NMR spectra given in Figure 1 herein is described. The toxin may be produced by (a) culturing a Pfisteria species in a growth media to produce Pfisteria toxin therein; (b) separating a first fraction of organic compounds including said Pfisteria toxin from said growth media; and then (c) separating a second fraction consisting essentially of said Pfisteria toxin from said first fraction by chromatography with porous silica beads.



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A	WO 00/10577 A1 (FUISZ, R.C.) 02 March 2000 (02.03.2000), see pages 20-12.	2,8
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X	KIMM-BRINSON, K.L. et al. Identification of a P2X7 Receptor in GH4C1 rat pituitary cells: a potential target for a bioactive substance produced by <i>Phiesteria piscicida</i> . <i>Envir. Health Perspect.</i> May 2001, Vol. 5, pages 457-462, pages 457-458, paragraphs 2-6.	2,5,6,8,12,13
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This international report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

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Continuation of Box I Reason 2:

There are two claims numbered "8.". For purposes of uninterrupted examination, the second claim 8 will be interpreted as claim 9; claim 9 will be interpreted as claim 10, claim; claim 10 will be interpreted as claim 11; claim 11 will be interpreted as claim 12; claim 12 will be interpreted as claim 13; claim 13 will be interpreted as claim 14 as they read on the method of claim 8 drawn to a method of isolated and purified Pfisteria toxin, comprising the steps of (a), (b), (c).

Continuation of B. FIELDS SEARCHED Item 3:

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